

Strong Opposition to Bill 7150

Hello Committee members,

I would like to strongly oppose Bill 7150 by Governor, which pushes pension liability back to the towns.

Forcing towns to pay these annual contributions will create gaps in the respective town budgets, and thus will mean increased property taxes.

Local school districts negotiate teachers' salaries, but they do not negotiate the terms of their pensions, because the state does that. Asking the towns to pay for the costs of something in which they have had no say is not appropriate.

Thanks,

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